

FIXTURES FOR TO-DAY ARE:

Juveniles.

Auburn v Guildford, Lidcombe Park, 2.15.

Parramatta v United B, Parramatta No. 2, 2.15.

Kewpies v Lidcombe, Granville Park No. 2, 2.15.

Juniors.

United A v Advance, Parramatta No. 2, 3.15.

Carlingford v United B, Parramatta No. 3, 3.15.

All-Age.

Merrylands v Auburn, Gees, 1.45.

Caledonians v Lidcombe, Granville Park No. 1, 3.15.

Kewpies v English Electric, Clyde, 1.45.

Seniors.

Advance v Babcocks, Lidcombe Park, 3.15.

Auburn v Lidcombe, Gees, 3.15

COMPETITION TABLE

	P	W	L	D	B	F	A	Pts
Kewpies	8	6	—	2	1	27	3	14
United A	8	5	—	3	1	20	2	13
Parramatta	8	5	3	—	1	18	13	10
Lidcombe	7	3	3	1	2	8	12	7
United B	7	2	4	1	2	8	10	5
Guildford	8	1	6	1	1	2	24	3
Auburn	8	1	7	—	1	5	25	2

Juniors

Advance	8	7	—	1	—	46	3	15
Two Blues	9	6	1	2	—	30	10	14
Auburn	8	6	1	1	—	34	4	13
Carlingford	8	4	4	—	—	10	26	8
United A	9	3	5	1	—	7	18	7
Lidcombe	8	2	6	1	—	15	30	5
United B	9	2	7	—	—	7	37	4

All-Age

Lidcombe	7	7	—	—	—	24	1	14
Kewpies	8	6	2	—	—	19	5	12
E. Electric	7	5	2	—	—	19	7	10
Auburn	8	5	3	—	—	25	14	10
Granville E.	6	2	4	—	—	18	18	4
Caledonians	7	2	5	—	—	7	15	4
Merrylands	8	2	6	—	—	7	28	4

Seniors

Parramatta	7	5	2	—	1	33	12	10
Auburn	5	4	—	1	1	14	4	9
Lidcombe	6	2	3	1	2	10	15	5
Babcocks	6	1	3	2	2	10	14	4
Advance	4	—	4	—	2	3	15	—

CANTERBURY DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

The above Association completed the first rounds of the "Alert" Cup, and the C Grade knock-out last Saturday with satisfactory results.

Campsie Athletics (B Grade) still continue to win, and last week they added further laurels to their name when they defeated Lakemba No. 2 (A Grade) by 6 to nil. Much credit is extended

to Athletics for their win in outclassing a higher grade team. The scorers were Bowman (2), Holman (2), Hoseman and Lynn.

Revesby Rovers No. 1 defeated their fellow club-mates in Revesby No. 2, by 5 to 2. Spectators quite enjoyed the game, as it was seen that both teams were dinkum triers.

Lakemba No. 1 (A Grade) proved too good for junior members from Lakemba (B Grade), beating them by 6 to nil.

Bankstown (C Grade) and Canterbury Park played a 1-all draw in their match on the latter's ground. "Judy" Masters and "Chook" McMahon being the scorers for their respective clubs. From the commencement the game was strenuous, and there was little to choose between either side. An extra ten minutes each way was played, but each set of forwards failed to take the advantage.

In the early game at Lakemba, Hurlstone Park (C Grade) defeated the home side by 4 to 2.

Campsie Albions (C Grade) had to suffer another defeat by Canterbury Juniors, who were too solid, winning by 4 to nil.

This week-end a good game is expected to be played on Goodlets Park between Lakemba No. 1 and Canterbury Park, the first and second teams in the A Grade competition. Soccerites roll up, a fine display is assured, and don't forget to show a little support to the Association when the box goes round.

The two "Harrys" are rather windy, and think they will need an escort as they anticipate the takings to be something out of the ordinary.

Rechabites say they are going to lower the colors of Athletics on Canterbury Park this week.

Can they? If so, good luck to them.

Competition games will carry on as usual, and the fixtures are as follows:—

A Grade.

Lakemba No. 1 v Canterbury Park, at Goodlets, 3.15.

Campsie Albions v Lakemba No. 2, Lakemba, 3.15.

Revesby Rovers the bye.

B Grade.

Campsie Athletics v Campsie Rechabites, Canterbury Pk, 3.15.

Lakemba v Bankstown, Lakemba, 1.45.

Revesby Rovers v Campsie Albions, Revesby, 3.15.

C Grade.

Lakemba v Campsie Albions, at Hospital Ground, 3.15.

Bankstown v Canterbury Park, Bankstown, 1.45.

Canterbury Jnrs. v Hurlstone Park, at Goodlets, 1.45.

COMPETITION TABLES.

	All-Age					Goals		
	P	W	L	D	B	F	A	Pts
Lakemba								
No. 1 . . .	6	6	—	—	2	29	2	16
C'bury Pk..	7	5	1	1	1	29	6	13
Lakemba								
No. 2 . . .	6	2	3	1	2	12	19	8
Campsie Alb.	6	—	4	2	2	6	26	6
Revesby Rov.	7	—	5	2	1	6	29	1

B Grade

Campsie Ath.	9	7	—	2	—	83	2 1/2
Lakemba	9	6	2	1	—	38	7 1/2
Campsie Rechabites	9	5	2	2	—	28	13 1/2
Bankstown	9	4	4	1	—	20	18
Campsie Alb.	9	1	6	2	—	13	29
Revesby Rov.	9	—	9	—	—	5	66

C Grade

	P	W	L	D	B	F	A	Pts
C'bury Park	9	7	1	1	26	6	11	
C'bury Jnrs.	9	4	2	3	13	9	11	
Hurlstone Park	9	4	4	1	26	16	9	
Bankstown	8	4	3	1	16	11	9	
Lakemba	9	3	4	2	13	13	8	
Campsie Albions	8	—	8	—	—	4	40	

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A TITLE.

Soccer's Great Need.

"A.J.B.," in the "Arrow," deplores the sad fact that Soccer, unlike Rugby League, Rugby Union, and Golf, has not got a "person of public importance" as its president.

Now we know what is the matter with us, it is the lack of a Sir that is keeping the code back. Unfortunately the supply of knights is limited; there is not enough of them to go round, and, since Mr. Cann's famous resolution there is little likelihood of any increase in the State supply. Perhaps, the lucky League, or the Union, or even the exponents of the Royal and Ancient Game might be prevailed upon to let us have their knights on loan on big occasions, or better still, what about A.J.B. securing a title himself—Sir Alexander would sound euphonious and impressive, and with spats and a monocle he would look the part very nicely.

It is, as Thackeray points out in his delightful little "Book of Snobs," so nice to be able to casually speak of Sir What's-his-name, and to be able to say—the other day I was speaking to Sir Willie What-Nott—or, as Lord Noodle was saying to me," etc., etc., ad nauseum.

To have a really distinguished Person at the head of the code (distinguished in that he is called Sir instead of Mister) would solve all our difficulties, lend tone to the Association, and lift us from a democratic, mere footballing nobodies, to the plane of figuring in the ladies' tea-party columns. And sycophantic souls would clamour to be associated with the Soccer Sir. We propose to advertise in the dailies for a distinguished and titled gentleman who is out of a job, and failing that we might even drop a line to the King himself.

Yes, A.J.B.'s suggestion is a worthy one, quite the best he has put forward for a very long time. The question is why didn't he think of it before!

Burns Club v Alexandria, Waterloo, 1.45. P. O'Hara.
Callan Park v Metters, Callan Park, 2.15. Kerr.
N. Suburbs v Garden Island, Crescent Oval. H. Cockwell.
Eastern Suburbs v Manly, Centennial Park, 3.15. L. Patterson.

Pyrmont v Rangers, Wentworth Park, 1.45. T. Anderson.
2nd Grade A Division (11th series).

Bankstown v Pyrmont, Canterbury, 3.15. S. Boyd.
West Sydney v Drummoyne, Ibrox Park, 1.45. E. J. Martin.
Sunlight v Rozelle (forfeit).
Lilyfield Rangers v Fire Brigades, Easton Park, 3.15. S. Summers.

Gladesville v Annandale Altona, Leichhardt Oval, 1.45. G. McGrath.

Campsie Thistle v A.G.L. Co., Belmore Park, 3.15.
2nd Grade B Division.
South Sydney v Booralee, Booralee, 3.15. Leighton.
Botany Albions v Sydney, S.C.G. No. 2, 1.45. D. Brown.

M.S.F.A. FIXTURES.

To be Played To-day, 19th July, 1924.

1st Grade 1st Division.

Gladesville v Fernleigh, Leichhardt Oval, 3.15. G. McLay.
Pyrmont Rangers v Auburn, Clyde, 3.15. A. E. Court.
Sydney v Gladstone, S.C.G. No. 2, 3.15. W. Wright.
Granville v Two Blues, Wentworth Park, 3.15. J. Lester.

1st Grade 2nd Division.

Lachlan Rangers v Canterbury, Waterloo, 3.15. A. Bates.
Leichhardt v West Sydney, Ibrox, 3.15. W. Clarke.
St. George A v Balmain Scottish, St. George, 3.15. L. Gill.

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EDITORIAL.

The Sixth Test.

The decision to play the sixth Test match between Canada and Australia, gives the two teams a last opportunity of decisive victory. The match is of special importance to Australia, in view of the possible visit of an English combination next year. We must prove that our Soccer is of a fairly high standard, and that we are able to defeat overseas teams. The Test matches of the present tour have proved highly interesting, in that both countries have in the five contests won two each, playing a draw for the odd game, and scoring in all eight goals each.

Both in New Zealand in 1922, when an Australian team toured the Dominion, and the following year when New Zealand visited these shores, Australia was defeated in the final test. Against the Chinese, however, the home side was successful. A victory in next Saturday's match would greatly help to establish international confidence regarding the standard of play, and give the English authorities a more definite idea of our play than they have hitherto had.

LAWS OF THE GAME.

The Sydney Referees' Association has ruled that a goal cannot be scored direct from a corner kick, and will referee under this rule until such time as they receive official information altering this rule.

JUNIOR FIXTURES.

All junior fixtures have been declared suspended by the Metropolitan Association on Saturday, the 20th inst., so that all players will be given an opportunity of viewing the game Australia v. Canada at the Show Ground.

SIXTH TEST.

The M.S.F.A. has decided to recommend to the C.F.A. that tickets for the grandstand be sold to members of the team in bundles of ten at 2/- each. The matter is being given consideration.

GARDINER CUP.

United Juniors v. Auburn.

To the Editor.

The scribe writing the Granville notes re the above fixture refers to it as a ding-dong battle from start to finish. The brilliant Auburn boys were beaten by probably a better team. Had the writer finished his comments there he would have earned the appreciation of Soccer followers generally, but he casts a reflection on the brilliant (thanks for the word) United Juniors boys by expressing a doubt as to whether they are a team or just a mixture of teams. If in doubt, why not protest? Safety First.

Gardiner Cup fixtures will be played on August 3rd and 10th in metropolitan area. The Sydney v. Gladesville Gardiner Cup fixture will probably precede the big match on Saturday next.

THE CANADIANS.

The Canadians reached Sydney on the return journey yesterday, and will go to Woonona to play to-day.

A match has been arranged for Cessnock on the Wednesday, while the final Test match will take place next Saturday.

DID YOU KNOW THIS?

It has been decided by the Sydney Referees' Association that their members shall, when awarding a free kick, stand facing the direction the kick is to be taken, with the right arm extended above the shoulder pointing in the direction of the team that has been penalised.

"GRANFATHER" PLAYS FOOT-BALL.

"Scotty" Drain's Come-back.

(From the "South Coast Times")
Once again, "Scotty" Drain has proved that there is life in an old dog. After suffering for about 8 weeks from broken ribs, Scotty turned out for Tarrawanna in the Gardiner Cup game against Woonona at Balgownie last week. Scotty's son, Alec, played outside left the same day for Tarrawanna. Scotty won his first Soccer medal in 1886 in Airdrie, Scotland, and has twenty years association with football on the South Coast. As Scotty has four grandchildren, he must be reckoned on as having found the secret of eternal youth when he can still play football.

DISTRICT SYSTEM WANTED.

To the Editor.

Sir,—
Your Editorial on District Football was very clear, and a system that should be enforced as early as possible. Should players at present be inclined to go for professional football they would be taking a step in the right way by supporting District Football. At present we have 180 1st Grade players playing each Saturday. If we had 90 playing, should not our football be of a better standard, thus giving bigger gates and stronger following per each club? Take Two Blues, as an instance, a 1st Grade team. Admittedly we are a junior eleven at present (players only average 21), but our following is only pence, while our football is as good as any now, having beaten the two strongest teams playing. I must admit that it will be hard to play against club mates and break up the teams that have been playing for years. But are we not as a whole playing for the advancement of the code?

Our system now in force is good, but district is better. Say, for instance, Pyrmont and Scottish go down (as they did), several players stop up, others go down, while many are inclined to give the game up, losing heart.

"PLAYER."

THE SYDNEY CLUB.

The Sydney Club is looking to the social, as well as the playing side, and last Saturday night the third social and dance was held.

From the social side these evenings have been very fine, and next month it is intended to cater more for the non-dancers, so that they also will be assured of a bright evening.

The first eleven has had a remarkable run of bad luck in regard to injuries, and have only fielded their strongest team once this year. Norm. Charlton, who has been standing down with eye trouble, received at work, made his welcome reappearance last Saturday, and did well at centre-forward in place of Robson, who was prevented from playing through business claims.

Jim Sheringham has been looking on for the past few weeks with an injured foot, but he expects to take the field against Gladstones to-day.

R. Fitzpatrick was also obliged to stand down against Balmain Fernleigh owing to an injury received against Gladesville the previous Saturday, but he will be in the eleven to-day.

Alf Gallagher, who has been very capably filling one of the gaps, was missed on Saturday, as he was suffering from a very heavy cold, while Ray Robinson was called upon to play in the semi-final with his tennis club, as the rules do not permit players to be replaced or changed in the tennis competition.

Bill Wilson has been suffering from an injured knee, received at work, and he is not expected to play for some weeks yet, which is unfortunate for both himself and the club. The second eleven is doing exceptionally well, being second in the competition, and has only been defeated once, that being by Metters, the leading team.

It is unfortunate these clubs do not play a second round, as it is a much fairer system to all concerned.

The All-Age junior team are also giving a good account of themselves, but were unfortunate to be without several of their players last Saturday against the strong Marrickville Avoca eleven.

Members and supporters of the Sydney Club are requested to watch the "Soccer News" for particulars re the next social and dance.

NEW JUNIOR ASSOCIATIONS.

Manly's Lead.

The formation of a new Junior Association at Manly is now complete, six teams having entered for the competition, which carries an under 16 years of age qualification—truly a wonderful performance at this time of the season. The prospects for next season are very bright, and the hard working officials expect to at least double the number of entrants in their competitions next year. Their main difficulty is the procuring of suitable playing areas and competent referees; with two playing areas already at their disposal, and the possibility of procuring one or two more, this difficulty may soon be overcome, and no doubt when the fact of having an association of their own becomes known the other obstacle will also be surmounted.

The first officials are:—President, Mr. A. J. Humphreys; Vice-Presidents, Messrs. A. Goetze, H. F. Alcorn, and J. Hammond; Management Committee: Messrs. J. Gosson, N. M. Robins, B. Tighe, R. Webster, and S. McMurray. The Secretary is H. Clarke, Kangaroo Street, Manly.

The teams which have entered are:—Balgowlah A, Balgowlah B, North Manly, Manly Juniors, Boy Scouts, Collaroy.

The Association will become affiliated to the Junior Board of Control.

The competition table made up to July 7th is as follows:—

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts	Goals
North Manly	5	3	—	2	13	6	8	
Balgowlah A	5	2	1	2	7	4	6	
Scouts	5	—	1	4	3	4	4	
Manly Jvrs	5	—	3	2	5	18	2	
Balgowlah B	1	1	—	—	7	1	2	
Collaroy*	1	—	1	—	1	7	—	

*4 matches to play.

BALMAIN AND DISTRICT JUNIOR ASSOCIATION.

It has been decided to call a meeting of all interested in the above for the purpose of forming a junior body; the meeting will be held about the last week in July or early in August.

Definite information will be available shortly and supporters are asked to watch the "Soccer News" for place and day of meeting.

EASTERN SUBURBS.

Plans are well advanced for the formulating of a Junior Association in the Eastern Suburbs, and before very long we hope to see this body launch out.

We are opening out in this district what is practically a new area insofar as regards "Junior" football, and everybody hopes the efforts of those responsible will be crowned with great success.

AUBURN UNITED F.C.

Last Saturday's fixtures did not give us any success, but we will come up smiling all the time and take our defeats as sports. The 18A lost to Advance 6 to 1, but it was closer than the scores indicate. H. Munday played the best game on the field, and was very clean in his methods. 18 B's lost to Carlingford 8 to nil. How this happened I don't know; Carlo only led 1 to nil well into the 2nd half. 16 B's lost to Parramatta 3 to nil, after a good game. R. Walker and H. Wheeler, the backs, had plenty to do, and did it well. The Hogarth brothers played a good game, especially "little Willie." Cheer up Uniteds, we want to see you have four wins on Saturday, so hurry up and put your shooting boots on.

SUNLIGHT CUP.

The first round of the Sunlight Cup has been drawn as follows:—Pymont v West Sydney. Annandale Alt. v Gladesville. Callan Park v Campsie. Lilyfield v South Sydney. Fire Brigades v Metters. Sunlight v Botany Albions. West Sydney v Alexandria. Eastern Suburbs v Manly. Northern Suburbs v Garden Island.

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WALLSEND JUST BEATS NEATH.

By Full Back.

The late game at the Tramway was not up to senior standard. Wallsend won, but neither team deserved to gain two points for such wretched football. Wallsend won the toss. Immediately after kick off Neath attacked, but Strang spoilt a good opening by off side. Wallsend then took the ball to the other end and Steinbeck cleared.

Hartley and Roddom combined well, and took the ball well down into Wallsend territory, Urwin eventually clearing.

Wallsend scored first as a result of a centre by Gilmour, to Craig, who succeeded in putting into the net, out of Steinbeck's reach. On resuming midfield play followed. No interest seemed to be taken in the game by the players. Eventually Neath equalised. Hughes passed to Baldwin, who scored. Score—1 all.

Neath continued to press, and were having the best of the game. They forced a corner, but although it was well placed no score resulted.

Wallsend now began to liven matters up, and from well out Craig secured, and with a well placed shot found the net, and so gave Wallsend the victory.

For the winners, R. Urwin and E. Owen were the best on the backs, while Peter Davidson was the pick of the forwards.

Hughes and Shakespeare were Neath's best, while old warrior Stokoe was always trying.

KERR CUP.

Westy Too Good for Kearsley.

The early game at the Tramway was a Kerr Cup fixture. Westy Wallsend met Kearsley, who had a good record among the South Maitland second-graders. Kearsley were the first to attack, and Wilkinson shot. Coutts partly cleared, and James, in attempting to clear, kicked the ball back to Wilkinson, and to that player's surprise Referee Smith blew for offside, and Westy were awarded a free kick, and thus cleared their goal. It was a bad decision.

Shortly after Jones saved a good shot from Brown. Kearsley were awarded a penalty, and J. Wilkinson converted. Immediately after Westy were awarded a penalty for hands against McBlane. Hen Maunders made no mistake, making the scores 1 each. Erickson was repeatedly offside, and many good movements were spoiled.

Wilkinson, for Kearsley, was playing a good game, and the next goal for Kearsley was a result of his effort. Taking the ball down the wing he shot. Coutts half cleared the ball, and Frank Jones following up put into the net.

Westy again equalised after 3 minute's play, McLauchlan being the scorer.

From a cross by Coates, Brown put the Blues in front. Half time arrived with the score 3 to 2 in favor of Westy.

In the second half Brown scored 2, Muir 2, and Erickson 2, West Wallsend winning by 9 to 2.

WESTON DEFEAT MAYFIELD 6 TO 2.

Weston visited Mayfield, and were successful in gaining two points from the home team.

This puts Weston off the bottom of the table, making them level with Neath. Kurri and Mayfield are now together at the tail end.

CESSNOCK DEFEAT NEW LAMPTON.

Cessnock put it over New Lambton to the tune of 4 to 1 at Cessnock. A large crowd was present, and the win puts Cessnock in a good position for the premiership. Harden did the hat-trick for Cessnock. Percy Lennard scored the fourth goal. Anderson got the Rock's only goal. The Chatrocks have not had a win the last three games, but it is to be hoped that they will come again. The dropping of Mick Davies has, to the writer's opinion, been a mistake, and the selectors must realise now their error.

ADAMSTOWN DEFEAT KURRI KURRI.

Played at Adamstown before a large attendance. Both teams were pretty well up to full strength. When they took the field it was very noticeable that Kurri were a good deal heavier team than the Buds. The game was brimful of incidents from start to finish, although the slippery state of the ground accounted for many fine movements being spoiled. The combination of the Buds forwards was perfect, but their shooting in the first half hour of the game left much to be desired. E. Bush and A. Dunne were responsible for some very fine passing movements on the left wing, but when they centred the ball (which was very greasy) neither Massa Russell nor Skinny Bush could find the net, although both were solid triers. Massa's patience was at last rewarded, when receiving the ball from the left, he placed it well out of Hodge's reach. Kurri were continually trying to get a forward move on towards Adamstown's goal, but the sterling defence of Beddow and Stewart proved too big a stumbling block to Phillips, Foley and Co. Wells, who was playing a fine game, put some good crosses over, only to see the Adamstown stalwarts intercept and punt well up the field. Wells was also responsible for the equalising goal. Price placed to Wells, who beat Doyle, and working into the centre shot hard at goal, Smith stopped the ball, but could not hold it. Foley, following up, scored with a fast shot. The ensuing play was solid, both teams striving hard to obtain the lead, which was not long in coming. Dunne, meeting a good cross from the right wing, banged into the corner of the net amidst great applause. The next 15 minutes was fairly even, but Kurri failed to equalise. Adamstown forwards were good, with Dunne the outstanding player. His footwork and centreing of the ball was a feature of the game. Kurri forwards were also good, Wells and Price doing some very good work. The meeting of these two teams in the Gardiner Cup promises to be one of the best games of the season.

UNMARKED GROUNDS.

Reports from referees during the past week have mentioned that many grounds are not marked. Will clubs please see that all grounds are properly marked. It is better for your own team, your opponents, and also the referee.

FREE KICK IN PENALTY AREA.

Curious, of Adamstown, writes: "In the match at Adamstown on Saturday last, the referee awarded Adamstown a free kick inside the eighteen yard line, for, as the referee termed it, shepherding."

In reply as to whether the referee was right or not—if the facts are as you state no infringement of the rules was made by the defending team, and / the game should have gone on. In any case if an infringement of the rules did occur under Rule 9, a penalty and not a free kick should have been the decision.

Soccerites will regret to hear of the illness of A. Stewart, a member of the Management Committee. That he will be speedily restored to health is every Soccerite's wish.

BROADMEADOW CLUB.

A very enjoyable evening was spent at the residence of Mr. J. Watt, Mandelong Road, Hamilton West, where the Broadmeadow Soccer Football Club made a presentation to Mr. J. Cox, one of the A Grade players, of a handsome silver cigarette case, suitably inscribed, on the eve of his departure for England.

After Treasurer J. Watt had made the presentation, the Secretary, F. Rogers, wished von voyage on behalf of the Club.

The guest responded in a very suitable manner.

THIRD GRADE RESULTS

Adamstown Thirds Defeat Islington
In the early match Adamstown Thirds easily beat Islington by 6 goals to 3.

Rovers Defeat Swansea.
Rovers who last week suffered their first defeat, and who were still suffering from injuries, managed to put it over Swansea.

Rovers scored early, and although Swansea attacked could only get one into the net. The final scores were—Rovers 3, Swansea 1.

Holmesville 3, Barnsley 1
Holmesville visited their near opponents, Barnsley, and gained two points.

West Wallsend 3 v Young Wallsend 2
These teams met on the headquarters ground. Young Wallsend and Westy returned victorious by the odd goal of five.

Dudley v Boolaroo
Dudley were at home to Boolaroo, and after 90 minutes hard play no goals were scored, so each team receive 1 point.

Killingworth received a forfeit from Mayfield.

Miami received a forfeit from Miami.
The result of Saturday's matches still leave Killingworth at the head of the table, on 17 points.

Rovers are, however, only 3 points behind, and have two more games than Killy to play. Boolaroo and Dudley are the closest attendants on 13 points each.

FOURTH GRADE.

Cardiff defeated Hamilton by 4 goals to 1, and by that victory secure the Scott's Cup. Congratulations Cardiff on your performance, 30 goals against 10 being the goal average.

Both Fourth Grade Cups have been won by teams out of the town, and in small localities. Wakefield, who won the Bryant Cup, having a very small population, hardly enough to raise another team.

SHERWIN WILLIAMS CUP COMPETITION.

The first match of the above competition was played at Young Wallsend on Saturday, and Teralba won their right into the second round at the expense of New Lambton, score being 3 to 1.

UNDER 18.

As a result of the protest against New Lambton, who had played an over-age player, Jesmond and Newtown met to decide who would enter the second round, Jesmond winning 3 to nil. Newtown have now protested, and the winner of the protest will enter into the second round, and will meet Rovers to-day.

In the 1st series of round No. 2, West Maitland ran over Adamstown 5 to nil, and Rovers beat Broadmeadow 3 to nil.

UNDER 16.

Kia Ora defeated West Wallsend 3 to 1.
New Lambton and Adamstown drew, 5 goals each.

Boolaroo defeated Catherine Hill Bay 10 goals to 2.

Cardiff defeated Merewether 2 goals to 1.

Lambton defeated Broadmeadow 11 goals to 0.

TO-DAY'S SENIOR FIXTURES.

Neath v Adamstown, at Tramway Ground, 3.15. Referee, J. Nicholson.
Kurri v Weston. Referee, W. Shipp.
New Lambton v Wallsend. Referee, D. McLaren.
Cessnock v West Wallsend. Referee, J. Sneddon.
Mayfield the bye.

FOURTH GRADE QUALIFYING
Broadmeadow v Boolaroo, at Tramway, 1.30. Referee, H. Hincks.

At Young Wallsend
Killingworth v Rovers. Referee, W. Stott.
Wakefield v Holmesville. Referee, R. Harvey.

The star game of to-day will be at Cessnock, where West Wallsend meet Cessnock.

Both teams are reported to be at full strength, and a right royal battle should be witnessed.

The winner of this match should run very close for the Premiership winner. Both teams, who are only two points behind Wallsend, have both played a game less than the premiers.

At the Tramway Ground, Adamstown will oppose Neath, and after Neath's showing last week the Buds will need to be 'on top' to avoid defeat.

I expect, however, that Adamstown will gain two points. They have not dropped a point the last four games, and are playing right on the top of their form at present. Fred. Pickett, Neath's energetic Secretary, reports that Neath are fit and will win.

Wallsend will visit New Lambton, and with the team selected will make the Chatrocks play to keep them out. Chatrocks who started off so well in the beginning of the season have not won a game out of the last three, and only one goal has been scored in the last three games for the Rocks. Wallsend who played a draw in the last round with the Rocks at Wallsend, are out to get every point, being anxious to retain possession of the Ellis Cup for 1924.

The real local Derby of the day will eventuate at Kurri, where the two close opponents, Weston and Kurri, meet.

Weston, by their win last week, are one point in front of Kurri, and George is very anxious to get ahead of the Magpies. Hence all interest is centred in the meeting of the two teams.

APPEAL UPHELD

At the delegate meeting on Saturday night, Boolaroo successfully appealed against the Committee's decision in awarding Broadmeadow the points in Fourth Grade competition, as a result of appeal. Boolaroo, Broadmeadow and Adamstown have to play a knock-out to secure a place in the semi-final four. The winner of to-day's match will meet Adamstown, the ultimate winner to be placed with Cardiff, Wakefield, and Fernleigh in a semi-final.

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6—H. BOTT

5—R. WHITE

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3—A. CREIGHTON

2—J. DRISCOLL

1—F. GALLAN

G. CARTWRIGHT

Goal

BALMAIN GLADSTONES
(Black and Gold Stripes)

EARLY MATCH, 1.45 p.m.

BOTANY ALBIONS v SYDNEY

(Black and White Stripes)

(Black and Blue Stripes)

Referee: Mr. D. Brown.

CLYDE OVAL, 3.15 p.m.

AUBURN v PYRMONT RANGERS

Referee: Mr. A. E. Court

AUBURN
(Black and White Halves)

Goal

L. EVANS

3—C. O'CONNOR

1—JOASS

4—J. PICKEN

2—T. AMOS

6—R. DUNN

7—J. SIMMONDS

8—BOCABATEILLE

9—D. REID

5—M. LEABEATER

10—E. BRUYERES

6—R. OSBORNE

7—J. BURCHAM

9—E. ROBINSON

3—C. TIMMS

10—J. GIGG

5—J. SHIPLEY

14—L. STOREY

11—G. KELSO

1—S. ROBINSON

2—J. CRUM

F. ANDERSON

Goal

PYRMONT RANGERS

(Blue with White V and White Cuffs)

Reserves—Auburn: 11—Morris; 12—Stevens

Reserves—Pyrmont Rangers: 8—E. Whittaker; 13—Hayton; 12—Nixon

LEICHHARDT OVAL, 3.15 p.m.

BALMAIN FERNLEIGH v GLADESVILLE

Referee: Mr. G. McLay.

BALMAIN FERNLEIGH
(Blue and Gold Halves)

Goal

T. DAVIDSON

1—R. LEADBETTER

3—W. EYERS

7—J. FISHER

2—L. BIRCHE

4—E. FERRIER

5—H. WALLACE

6—G. TURNER

10—J. CRAIG

9—P. HANCOCK

8—F. BAXTER

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8—W. BILLINGS

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6—S. O. ELSE

5—D. POWLER

2—J. LYON

4—W. MAIZEY

1—E. PONT

3—SYKES

J. FOWLER

Goal

GLADESVILLE

(Maroon)

Reserves—Balmain Fernleigh: 11—A. Lauchlin; 12—G. Fitzpatrick.

EARLY MATCH, 1.45 p.m.

GLADESVILLE v ANNANDALE ALTONA

(Maroon)

(Blue and White)

Referee: Mr. G. McGrath

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WENTWORTH PARK, 3.15 p.m.

Granville v. Blues

Referee: Lester.

Goalkeeper: (Black and white stripes)

1—C. LEABEATER	2—J. COMRIE
3—L. LEABEATER	4—A. DODS
5—H. SPURWAY	6—C. MACE
6—S. BOURKE	7—A. HENDERSON
8—W. GALLOWAY	9—E. WALDON
10—H. FLYNN	11—T. CROFT
12—S. ETHRIDGE	13—E. RIGBY

(Light and dark stripes)

Reserves—Granville: 11—Cook 12—S. Ethridge

WENTWORTH OVAL, 1.45 p.m.

Rangers v. Pyrmont

Referee: Anderson

Goalkeeper: (Black and white stripes)

1—W. SYM	2—J. SIBLY
3—A. ELLIS	4—J. KETTYLE
5—J. KETTYLE	6—J. K. SALT
7—R. REEVES	8—W. M. CHILD
9—E. CHILDS	10—J. McKINNEY

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LAST WEEK'S GAMES.

St. John's Bal. A just got home last week against Aidans. The game was fast throughout, Aidans having good defence, but rather poor forwards. St. Pauls surprised Lakemba Congs. A, and scored within the first few minutes. However, that score remained until the finish of a very brisk and interesting game. Drum. Bap. tried hard to hold the Mission, but Roberts and Co. were too good.

St. John's Bal. A and Lakemba Congs. should be a fine match to-day.

Holy Trinity and Alex. Congs. put up a wonderful exhibition of the code at Botany. Trinity's backs, and Cocking, of the Congs. were in great fettle. A draw would have been a true reflex of the game. Enmore Tabs had Botany A thinking at times, but that was all.

Newtown Congs. A might strike trouble at Centennial Park to-day, but on form they should get home.

Fivedock Meths. played all over Austens last week. In fact only for Park's good keeping there would have been a more formidable margin. Wannell, Grey, Powell and Worboys were also good. Fivedock is a good team, but are striking some bad luck on account of their own faulty domestic administration. Unless their Hon. Treasurer comes to light soon they'll strike some more.

Every match in this division should be closely contested to-day.

St. Bartholomews added yet another laurel to their fame last week, so far this season they have neither been defeated nor has any team even drawn with them. The Hon. Treasurer of this team would also be welcomed by the M.C. at any of their meetings. Alex Mission B defeated Newtown Congs. B, but only just. Lane and Harrington played well.

St. Columbs may extend the leaders to-day, and then again they may not.

Aidans B's custodian put up a good show against Croydon B. H. Park Meth. got home again last week. This team is doing very well considering their size. St. John's Glebe surprised St. Bedes to the extent of 2 to nil. However both teams reckon that they will win the trophies—incidentally Lakemba Congs. B has somewhat similar ideas.

St. George.

As predicted Campsie Meth. and Kogarah Pres. put up a great game, the score, one all, being a true reflex of the match. Both teams should be victorious to-day. Tempe Park Meth. also have a good fighting chance.

K.O. Comp.

Teams are reminded that entries for the K.O. comps. definitely close on 31st August. No forms are necessary. The entrance fee is 10/-. The winners of the 3rd and 2nd Grade premierships must play for a higher grade in the K.O. comp.

Dance and Social.

The presentation of trophies on 10th inst. was a social success. Financially it just paid for itself. Many players who won prizes on 9th June must have been knocked out as they could not raise enough energy to attend and receive their trophies. Teams who live right at the door of the Dip. Hall, and who are practically all dancers, did not deign to grace the function with their presence. Such is the patriotism of some Church teams. Botany Meth., though absent, showed their sympathy by sending a donation.

DRAW FOR SATURDAY, 2nd AUGUST, 1924.

First Grade.

Alex. Mission A v St. John's Bal. A, Wardell Rd. No. 2, 3.15.
St. Pauls v St. Clements, Hurlstone Park, 3.15.
H. Pk. Congs. v St. Aidans A., St. Peters No. 1, 3.15.

Ryde Meth. v Drum. Bap., Leichhardt Flat, 3.15.
Lakemba Congs. A the bye.
Second Grade A Division.

Botany Meth. A v Holy Trinity, Wardell Rd. No. 2, at 1.45.
Dul. Hill Bap. v Alex. Congs, Wardell Rd. No. 3, 1.45.
Tempe Pk. Meth. v Enmore Tabs, Centen. Pk. No. 1, 3.15.

Newtown Congs. A v Marrickville Presb., Wardell Rd. 3, 3.15.
Second Grade B Division.

L'hardt Presb. v Croydon Congs A on Wardell Rd. No. 1, 3.15.
L'hardt Meths. v Ashfield Bap., Lakemba, 3.15.

All Souls v Fivedock Meth., H'field Flat, 3.15.
All Saints v Austens F.C., Leichhardt Flat, 1.45.

Third Grade A Division.

St. Lukes v St. Stephens N, on Erskineville, at 3.15.

Botany Meths. v St. Thomas, at Botany, 1.45.

St. Bartholomews v Newtown Congs. B, Botany, 3.15.

Alex. Mission B v St. John's Bal. B, Wardell Rd. No. 1, 1.45.

St. Silas v St. Columbs, Erskineville, 1.45.

Third Grade B Division.

St. Bedes v St. Aidans B, on H'field Flat, 1.45.

Lakemba Congs. B v Annandale Meth., Centen. No. 1, 1.45.

St. John's Glebe v St. Stephens K., Centen. Pk. No. 2, 3.15.

H. Pk. Meths. v Croydon Congs. B, Hurlstone Park, 1.45.

Canterbury Meth. the bye.
St. George Branch.

Carlton Meth. A v Campsie Meth, Cooks River No. 2, 3.15.

Carlton Meth. B v St. Clements, Cooks River No. 2, 1.45.

Kogarah Pres. v Tempe Park Meth, Cooks River No. 1, 1.45.

COMPETITION TABLES

First Grade.

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
Alex Mission A*	10	9	1	0	38	7	18
St John's Bal A*	10	8	0	2	18	8	18
St. Pauls	11	6	2	3	16	13	15
Yakemba Cong A	11	6	3	2	19	16	14
St. Clements	11	4	2	5	13	16	13
St. Aidans A	11	4	3	4	12	14	12
H. Pk. Congs*	10	4	5	1	15	15	9
Drum. Bap.	11	2	9	0	9	42	4
Ryde Meths*	10	1	8	1	14	24	3

Second Grade A Division

Holy Trinity	10	7	1	2	44	7	16
Botany Meth. A	10	8	1	1	35	11	17
N'town Cong A*	9	7	1	1	31	12	15
Dul. Hill Bap.	10	4	3	3	26	17	11
Alex. Congs*	9	3	4	2	21	17	8
Tempe Pk Meth	10	2	7	1	14	37	5
Enmore Tabs	10	1	7	2	8	45	4
M'kville Presb.	10	1	9	0	7	39	2

Second Grade B Division

All Souls*	9	6	1	2	33	9	14
Croydon Congs A	10	6	2	2	33	13	14
Austens F.C.	10	5	2	3	22	17	13
L'hardt Presb.	10	5	5	0	16	17	10
L'hardt Meth.	10	3	3	2	17	19	10
Fivedock Meth*	9	3	4	2	13	11	8
All Saints	10	3	5	2	12	21	8
Ashfield Bap.	10	1	9	0	2	41	2

Third Grade A Division

St. Bartholomews*	10	10	0	0	37	7	20
St. Lukes	11	7	2	2	36	25	16
St. Silas*	10	7	3	1	23	9	15
Alex. Mission B	11	7	3	1	27	18	15
St. Stephens N.	11	4	4	3	17	17	11
St. Columbs	11	2	4	5	13	19	9
N'town Congs B	10	3	6	1	20	22	7
St. John's Bal. B.	11	2	8	1	13	33	5
Botany Meth B	10	1	7	2	14	27	4
St. Thomas	11	1	9	1	12	31	3

3rd Grade B Division

Lakemba Cong B	11	10	0	1	47	4	21
St. Bedes	11	9	2	0	38	8	18
St. John's Glebe	11	7	2	0	31	39	16
St. John's Glebe	11	7	2	2	31	39	16
St. Aidans B	11	5	4	2	22	13	12
Croydon Cong B	11	5	5	0	26	18	12
Annandale Meth.	11	3	7	1	18	22	7
St. Stephens K.	11	3	8	0	16	36	6
Canterbury Meth	11	2	9	0	4	40	4

Drum. Bap. Jrs—dropped out.

*A match to play.

The St. George Association

TO-MORROW'S MATCHES.

St. George Sports Ground.

Dye Cup (No. 1 Ground).

Penshurst United v St. George, 1.45.

First Grade.

Balmmain Scottish v St. George, 3.15.

A Grade (No. 2 Ground).

Arncliffe v Kogarah, 1.45.

Lancashire v Hurstville, 3.15.

Other matches are as follows:

Dye Cup.

Rockdale v Cronulla, Cook Pk., 3.15.

Brighton v Kogarah, Moorefield, 3.15.

Arncliffe v Penshurst, Dumbleton, 3.15.

A Grade.

Tempe Park v Cronulla, Cronulla, 3.15.

Brighton v Rovers, Moorefield, 1.45.

Tempe Iona v Lancashire, Kogarah Park, 3.15.

Rockdale the bye.

C Grade.

Arncliffe v Kogarah, Cook Pk., 1.45.

Banksia v Rockdale Diamonds, Kogarah Park, 1.45.

St. George the bye.

The following is the draw for the next round, to be played on August 2nd:—

Dye Cup.

Rockdale v Kogarah, St. George Sports Ground No. 1, 3.15.

Cronulla v Hurstville, Cronulla, 3.15.

Brighton v Penshurst United, Moorefield, 3.15.

Lancashire v Arncliffe, Arncliffe, 3.15.

St. George v Penshurst, Dumbleton, 3.15.

A Grade.

Tempe Iona v Rovers, St. George Sports Ground No. 2, 1.45.

Brighton v Tempe Rangers, Sports Ground No. 1, 1.45.

Rockdale v Arncliffe, Sports Ground No. 2, 3.15.

Kogarah v Lancashire, Cook Park, 3.15.

Cronulla the bye.

C Grade.

Arncliffe v Rockdale, Arncliffe, 1.45.

Banksia v St. George, Cook Park, 1.45.

Kogarah the bye.

ST. GEORGE DISTRICT TEAM.

The St. George District team played Canterbury at the Canterbury Sports Ground last week, and won by 3 goals to nil (Hayes 2 and Lavender scored).

To-morrow they play the well-known team, Balmmain Scottish, at the St. George Sports Ground. L. Gill will officiate as referee.

The St. George Soccer Football Association's competition is now in an interesting stage. Penshurst United defeated Arncliffe, the leaders, at the St. George Sports Ground, by 2 goals to 1.

The game had only been in progress a minute when James, of Penshurst, netted. This completely took Arncliffe by surprise. Penshurst kept Arncliffe on the defensive for some time. Arncliffe rallied, and by an individual effort by Jones succeeded in equalising the score. With the score equal, Penshurst was the most aggressive, and Lawson was successful in gaining the lead by beating Dodds with a good drive. Half time—Penshurst United 2, Arncliffe 1. In the second half the game was hotly contested, but neither team could score, but just before the match concluded Arncliffe was awarded a penalty kick. Jones took the kick, but he failed to score, and Penshurst United won a splendid game by 2 goals to 1. Arncliffe, Penshurst United and Kogarah are now equal, each having 19 points.

The other results were:—

Kogarah beat St. George at Cook Park 5—1.

Rockdale Wanderers beat Brighton at Moorefield 5—1.

Hurstville drew with Penshurst 3—3.

Cronulla beat Lancashire at the St. George Sports Ground 2—1.

A Grade.

Rovers 5, Rockdale 1.

Arncliffe 6, Tempe Park Rangers 0.

Tempe Iona 3, Brighton 0.

Kogarah 4, Cronulla 1.

Lancashire the bye.

C Grade.

Kogarah 1, Rockdale 0.

Arncliffe 4, St. George 1.

Banksia the bye.

ST. GEORGE BOY SCOUTS.

Murdoch Cup.

Tempe Park 5, Penshurst 1.

Ramsgate 2, Hurstville 1.

COMPETITION TABLE

Dye Cup

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
Arncliffe	12	9	2	1	39	6	19
Kogarah	12	9	2	1	64	17	19
Penshurst United	12	8	1	3	34	11	19
St. George	12	6	3	3	20	25	15
Rockdale	12	6	4	2	30	18	14
Hurstville	12	4	6	2	25	45	10
Cronulla	12	3	5	4	22	27	10
Penshurst	12	1	7	4	14	46	6
Brighton	12	1	8	3	16	45	5
Lancashire	11	0	9	3	16	40	3

CONFIDENCE.

A frequent explanation of a footballer's failure is, "He has lost his confidence." What that means to the average layman is only a matter of conjecture. None but those who have gone through this particular experience can quite understand it. Strange though it may seem, this period comes to most footballers in time, through no fault of their own, but when it arrives it is a hard job to shake it off. The confidence which comes from a goal lead in an important match is only known to those who have participated in a game of that character. Often have I seen a team playing very ordinarily, the other side doing the bulk of the pressing, but from a sudden break away the inferior side scored, and then every man of that side played as if inspired.

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The Metropolitan Juniors

A GRADE.

Lillyfield United maintained their unbeaten record by completely outclassing Marrickville Avoca at Canterbury by 6 to nil. As the score would indicate, the game, contrary to expectations, was one-sided, the winners dominating the game throughout. The ball was continually in Avoca's goal mouth, and had every opportunity of being turned to account. The score must have reached double figures. The previous meeting resulted in a 1—0 victory for Lillyfield after a very close game.

Annandale Altona defeated the "Pie Merchants" 2—1 after a scoreless first half, in which Sargents did all the attacking. Froome and Cartwright had plenty to do. Froome later went into the forward line, and netted the two goals.

After Kangaroos defeating Marrickville Avoca last week (2—1) it was expected that they would give Easton Park a hard game. Easton Park won a rather one-sided game by 6—0.

B GRADE.

Leichhardt Juniors continue in winning spirit, beating Bondi B in their late game by 7—0.

Lillyfield collected two points as a result of their game at Algie Park with Sunlight, winning a good game by 3—0.

A knock-out competition for the B Grade has been opened up in the shape of a photo competition. This proved a good innovation last season, and all the B Grade teams should enter and make a good competition. Leichhardt Juniors beat Lillyfield in the final last season by 3—1.

C GRADE.

Rozelle Waratah continue in the lead in Division 1 by 3 points from Lillyfield, who are 2nd on the list. Annandale Waratah failed to hold the powerful Rozelle team, who ran through them and won by 6 to nil. Lillyfield netted a fine win against their neighbours, Annandale United, at No. 3 Canterbury, by 2—1. United scored their only goal in the last minute of the game, and it was a brilliant effort.

Warren Avoca as a result of their win over Warren Iona two weeks ago brought them at the

top of the competition table with Iona. Pyrmont have now drawn Iona last week (1—1), and being very close to the top, this division is now very interesting, and the later games should be brimful of excitement.

Punch Park, still unbeaten in Division 3, have a clear lead of 4 points, and should be contestants in the final of the C Grade.

A knock-out competition has been launched for the C Grade teams. Entrance fee is only 3/—, so a good number of teams are expected.

FIXTURES FOR 2nd AUGUST, 1924.

A Grade.

Easton Park v Lillyfield, P. Pk. No. 1, 1.45.

Glebe Arcadia forfeit to Annandale Altona.

Kangaroos v Sargents, Five-dock, 3.15.

53rd Battalion v Marrickville Avoca, Canterbury No. 3, 3.15.

B Grade.

Bondi Beach A v St Peters, Centennial No. 13, 3.15.

Lillyfield v Leichhardt Juniors, Canterbury No. 4, 3.15.

Banksmeadow v Bondi Beach B, Banksmeadow, 3.15.

Sunlight v Newtown, Canterbury No. 2, 1.45.

C Grade Division 1.

Annandale Wths. v Leichhardt Wdrs., Algie Park, 1.45.

Lillyfield v Rozelle Fernleigh, Canterbury No. 1, 1.45.

Rozelle Wth. v Annandale Feds, Canterbury No. 3, 1.45.

Annandale United v Rozelle Juniors, Flivedock, 1.45.

C Grade Division 2.

Warren Iona v Marrickville Rangers, Primrose Pk 2, 1.45.

Enmore United v Newtown Iona, Canterbury 4, 1.45.

Pyrmont v Erskineville, Primrose Park No. 2, 3.15.

Warren Avoca v Manly Jnrs., Dee Why, 2.30.

C Grade Division 3.

Long Bay Kia Ora v Punch Pk., to be arranged.

Banksmeadow v Botany Recs., St. Peters, 1.45.

Nestles v Manning Rovers, Centennial No. 13, 1.45.

St. Peters Kans. v Bondi Beach, St. Peters, 3.15.

DISTRICT FOOTBALL.

To the Editor.

Sir,—

In regard to District football, which is now exercising the minds of the Soccer public, it is well to point out that there is no necessity, if ultimately introduced, to concentrate all 1st Grade teams in one division. Sydney and metropolis are large enough easily to accommodate 16 1st Grade teams, but abolish the relegation of teams below the 2nd Division, to ensure these two divisions being permanent, as a whole (retaining of course the promotion from 2nd to 1st Division), and step by step arrange for the formation of reserve teams, corresponding to the 1st Grade, as in the Rugby League.

I suggest for consideration the formation of the following 16 clubs in the Metropolitan area, to be divided into 2 "8 team" divisions: Annandale, Balmain, Canterbury, Eastern Suburbs, Gladesville (or Ryde), Glebe, Granville, Leichhardt, Manly, Newtown, N. Sydney, Pyrmont, South Sydney, St. George, Sydney, W. Suburbs, and room might be made, if necessary, for a non-district team, say University (possibly) later on. Standard of play of course to be the deciding factor in the allocation of clubs into the two divisions.

Looking over the above list the only apparent difficulty in the formation of teams is in regard to Western Suburbs, Glebe and Newtown, but with a co-operation of local effort (and undoubtedly local influence does exist), and some organising energy this comparatively small difficulty should be easily overcome, particularly in regard to the two latter places. Pending their formation the gap could be filled by a few strong non-district clubs, of which there seem to be a fair number to choose from—enough probably to form a separate division.

Yours sincerely,

J. GRIFFITH.

K.O. COMPETITIONS.

Club Secretaries note that it has been decided to run two photo competitions—one for B Grade and one for C Grade.

Entry into same is 3/—. Entries close on the 6th August.

CANTERBURY DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

Last Saturday was a day of surprises so far as B and C Grades was concerned. The downfall of the leaders, Campsie Athletics, Lakemba, Canterbury Park and Canterbury Juniors, leaves the competitions very open at present.

At last the much discussed match between Lakemba No. 1 and Canterbury Park is over, the former winning by 1 to nil. It was a good game, with plenty of hard knocks about; still the Lakes were equal to the task by a narrow margin. From the kick off the ball travelled from end to end, until Greenstein badly miskicking gave Stirling an opening; after a run along the line he put in a beautiful centre across the goal mouth, and Godwin finished the good work by heading the ball between the posts. Just before half time Lakemba were unfortunate in losing their left back, Wetheriff, who was injured. On resuming it was seen that Canterbury meant business, but the opposing defence proved too solid. The Bury's were given a penalty. Smith was entrusted with the kick, but he put the ball over the bar, thus a good opportunity to equalise was lost. The outstanding players for Lakemba were Godwin, Horan, Stirling, Stannard and Porrier. For the losers Smith, English, Eccles and Pittman played best.

Campsie Rechabites gave Athletics a shock in their match on Canterbury Park, which resulted in favor of the Blues by 2 to nil. Ashford and Richards scored for the winners. The last time these teams met the game ended in a draw. It seems that Rechabites have greatly improved.

Hurlstone Park (C Grade) defeated Canterbury Juniors by 2 to nil. McKern and Menser were the scorers. This game was very fast and clean, the players were much relieved when the final whistle blew, as they were all fagged out.

Bankstown (B Grade) continue to be a "thorn in the side" to the crack teams. Their latest victims being Lakemba, whom they defeated by 3 to 2 on their own ground.

Revesby Rovers (B Grade) scored their first win of the season against Campsie Albions, whom they defeated by 2 to 1.

Canterbury Park (C Grade) went under to Bankstown, the result being 2 to 1. This is the former's second defeat, and they will have to watch themselves to retain their position as leaders.

Lakemba No. 2 easily accounted for Campsie Albions, winning by 8 to 1.

Campsie Albions (C Grade) again suffered defeat by Lakemba on the Hospital Ground. The latter were victorious after an evenly contested game by 4 to 2.

FIXTURES FOR TO-DAY.

Alert Cup.

Campsie Athletics v Revesby No. 1, at Revesby, 3.15.

Lakemba No. 1 v Canterbury Park, Lakemba, 3.15.

B Grade.

Campsie Rechabites v Lakemba, at Lakemba, 1.45.

Bankstown v Revesby, Canterbury Park, 3.15.

C Grade Knock-out.

Hurlstone Park v Canterbury Juniors, at Goodlets, 1.45.

Canterbury Park v Bankstown, at Goodlets, 3.15.

OUTDOOR GAMES AND PHYSICAL CULTURE.

By T. A. Langridge.

Trainer of the New Zealand Soccer Team, English Rugby League Team, etc.

In the wind and sunshine, sports of all kinds, and notably football, hockey, rowing and golf, have always appealed to me amongst the little things of life that really matter. Yet, a study of their effects upon the human body as compared with the results obtainable through systematic physical culture, has convinced me that the latter method is superior as an aid to the acquirement of real and permanent strength, and, in the final analysis is more lasting and beneficial for the general health. The race is not always to the swift, nor the battle to the strong. One would imagine, for instance, that the Rugby Football forward should develop extraordinarily large calves and powerful thigh muscles since these are so prominently brought into constant action during a hard game; but I have frequently observed that even with famous players and athletes such improvement does not by any means—as a matter of course—follow the exercise in question.

On the other hand, let the footballer we are talking about visit a properly equipped gymnasium for systematic train-

ing under a qualified instructor, and watch the development then!

This is one of the many reasons which impel athletes to take up a course of gymnastic instruction, as a regular part of their programme, for success in athletics depends more upon a well-balanced general strength, than strength merely in any one particular set of muscles. My own system of physical training has as its principal objective, the acquirement of a harmonious perfection of a bodily power and the attainment of a state of good health. "Balance" is what I aim at getting. It is not enough merely to develop muscle alone, although I admit at once that powerful biceps are an asset; but even they do not count for much unless the lungs and heart, and liver and kidneys are also sound. What one wants to get busy about is the strengthening of function as much as bone and muscle and nerve; and since we know that improper functioning due to sluggish movement of the intestines arises through a weakened abdominal wall, we have straight away one of the weak points to be looked to immediately. Special exercises for strengthening the internal muscles of the abdomen are an important feature of a course of physical culture. A factor which is not always a consequence of outdoor athletic exercise, and one that is frequently overlooked also by casual students of the physique, is that for every muscular action there is a concomitant counter action, and unless the muscle and its intimate relation or opponent are exercised in unison there is either a strain or an inharmonious movement, a jarring result. It is rhythm which rules the corpus sanum. Irregular spasmodic exercise is nothing like so beneficial as the practical and rhythmic gymnastics which are embraced in a course of physical culture in which energy is stored, and carefully preserved rather than expended, and like money saved against the rainy day—can be counted upon and used in an emergency. It is there when most required. Perhaps an additional reason which makes regular gymnastic exercise superior to other forms of physical energy is that it is more than merely physical, it is also mental; it points to better things and leads the way. In games, more attention is paid to the results of the movements than to the movements themselves, or in other words the will power is directed rather towards winning the game than to the cultivation of the physique which thus often comes off second best. In the gymnasium, on the contrary, one's mind is concentrated on the business immediately in hand which if the system be rational is the development of the whole body on sound lines. Athletes and athletic teams come up to my gymnasium for a "finishing off" training because they know that the particular kind of movements they perform during their game, whatever it may be, are not sufficiently inclusive and not uniform enough to ensure complete physical proficiency. Any football team which has received a regular course of varied gymnastic training has an immense pull over untrained adversaries; it is like pitting a disciplined regiment against a rabble. The pugilist (as a further example) puts in as much time at his general exercises as at his actual punching mechanics; the champion runner finds it advisable to exercise many other sets of muscles besides the "running" muscles. The important thing in physical culture is to strike the happy mean and to get an all-round development; and certainly not the least of the many advantages of the modern gymnasium is that exercise can be performed therein wet or shine, and in peace and comfort.

The Granville Association

REGISTERED AS A COMPANY.

Gleanings from Everywhere.

Registration having been effected during the week, we say goodbye to the old title; henceforth the Association will be known as "The Granville District Football Association Limited." The Articles of Association run into a rather bulky publication, but it is hoped to arrange for the publication of perhaps the more important clauses in this journal. As is generally known the intention is to provide an up-to-date sports ground right in the heart of Granville, for football, cycling, tennis, cricket, and it is hoped, bowls, also. The prospectus is now available, and shares may be purchased from £5 to £25. An appeal is to be launched immediately, and it is confidently expected that sufficient cash will be forthcoming to allow the contractors to make a start on the area already purchased. As Alderman C.L.B. would say, "This is something unique in the annals of history." It is certainly something unique in the history of Granville, because what has always been an ugly waterhole, should soon be a recreation reserve one might well feel proud of.

Now for some footer talk. We had Two Blues and Gladstone at Clyde last week-end. Gladstone in my opinion were a trifle unlucky not to win; certainly there were chances missed on both sides, but I think Glads, missed the most chances to score. All the same its goals that count. Flynn's goal for Blues was a trimmer. The boys have certainly created a record to be proud of this season. Their meeting with the Magpies to-day should be worth going a long way to see.

The early game between English E. & Kewpies was evenly contested. Kewpies fought hard to win, but were unequal to the task and E.E. ran out winners 2—1.

The Juvenile Kewpies had a run away victory from Lidcombe 8—1. Auburn and Guildford met at Lidcombe Park, and the light-haired ones won by the odd goal to nil. The Guildford lads are improving every match, and they will probably upset some of the leaders before it is all over.

Parramatta had a comfortable win from United B 3—0.

In the junior, Advance made no mistake with United A 6—1.

Carlingford also had a good win over United B 6—0.

The All-Age Auburn team and Merrylands met at Gees, and although the Merry ones put up a great battle they were beaten 5—1.

The surprise of the day was the downfall of Lidcombe, who had gone through the season undefeated. Caledonians, who have played with a very fair share of ill-luck, this time found their Scotch legs, and made no mistake, 2—0. Referee Powell had this game, and gave every satisfaction to the players. The one-eyed barrackers of course were not satisfied.

The Senior Babcocks and Advance met at Lidcombe Park, and after a great struggle honors were even, with two goals each. Advance have improved wonderfully during the last few weeks. They will give a good account of themselves in the K.O. matches.

Auburn defeated Lidcombe District at Gees 7—1, and at the same time won the competition and the Tribune Cup. This team has had a wonderful record. After winning the All-Age last season they have now won the Senior. They have now the right to enter the M.S.F.A., but with District Football looming on the horizon their hopes are not too rosy.

This Association is not opposed to District Football, but we will strenuously oppose any scheme which aims at robbing us of any of our present boundary. The Churches were idle on account of compulsory drill stepping in. With the exception of Thistles and Mission, they will all be at it again to-day.

The gate at Clyde on Saturday amounted to £21.

I venture to say that had Magpies played Auburn up here it would have been £40.

The Two Blue Magpie game would be worth £50 to us; I am afraid it will not bring that sum on to Wentworth Park. Even if it does, what profit will come out of it. I venture to say it costs M.S.F.A. more than 18/6 to run Wentworth.

A £50 gate here costs us that amount.

It appears to me that it is a mistaken idea to place strange teams at W.P.O. The city teams have a bigger local following, and a lot of people follow them even if they are in a losing position.

FIXTURES FOR SATURDAY, 19th JULY, 1924.

Juveniles.

Lidcombe v Parramatta, Lidcombe Park, 2.15.

United B v Kewpies, Auburn Park, 2.15.

United A v Auburn, Gees, 2.15.

Juniors.

Blues v United B, Rosehill, 3.15.

Lidcombe v United A, Auburn Park, 3.15.

Auburn v Carlingford, Parramatta No. 2, 3.15.

All-Age.

Granville East v Merrylands, Blaxcell Street, 3.15.

Lidcombe v Kewpies, Granville Park No. 1, 3.15.

E.E. v Caledonians, Granville Park No. 2, 3.15.

Seniors.

Lidcombe v Babcocks, Lidcombe Park, 3.15.

Parramatta v Advance, Gees, 3.15.

Churches.

St. Marks v Congs. A, Parramatta Park No. 3, 3.15.

Cong. B v Baptist, Parramatta Park No. 1, 3.15.

Boy Scouts (Inter-district), Clyde Ground.

Port Kembla Troop v Granville Troop (Juveniles), 1 p.m.

Port Kembla Troop v Granville Troop (Juniors), 2 p.m.

Metropolitan Premiership.

Auburn v Pyrmont Rangers, Clyde, 3.15.

POINTS TABLE.

	Juveniles									
	P	W	L	D	B	F	A	Pts		
Kewpies	9	7	—	2	1	35	4	16		
United A	8	5	—	3	2	21	2	13		
Parramatta	9	6	3	—	1	21	13	12		
Lidcombe	8	3	4	1	2	9	20	7		
United B	8	2	5	1	2	8	13	5		
Auburn	9	2	7	—	1	6	25	3		
Guildford	9	1	7	1	2	2	25	3		
	Juniors									
	P	W	L	D	B	F	A	Pts		
Advance	9	8	—	1	—	52	4	17		
Two Blues	9	6	1	2	—	30	10	14		
Auburn	8	6	1	1	—	34	4	13		
Carlingford	9	5	4	—	—	16	26	10		
United A	10	3	6	1	—	8	24	7		
Lidcombe	9	3	5	1	—	15	30	7		
United B	10	2	8	—	—	7	43	6		
	All-Age									
	P	W	L	D	B	F	A	Pts		
Lidcombe	8	7	1	—	—	24	3	14		
Kewpies	9	6	3	—	—	20	7	12		
E. Electric	8	6	2	—	—	21	8	12		
Auburn	9	5	4	—	—	30	16	10		
Granville East	7	4	3	—	—	21	18	8		
Caledonians	8	3	5	—	—	9	15	6		
Merrylands	9	2	7	—	—	8	33	4		
	Seniors									
	P	W	L	D	B	F	A	Pts		
Auburn	6	5	—	1	1	21	5	11		
Parramatta	7	5	2	—	2	23	12	10		
Lidcombe	7	2	4	1	2	11	22	5		
Babcocks	7	1	3	3	2	12	16	5		
Advance	5	—	4	1	2	5	17	1		

Next Saturday — The Deciding Test Match Canada v. Australia

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Will Australia win the ashes?

Churches		Goals	
Congr. A.	9 9 —	43	13 18
Mission	9 6 2 1	20	11 13
Baptist	9 3 4 2	23	23 8
St. Marks	9 2 4 3	10	24 7
Thistles	9 1 5 3	19	24 5
Congr. B.	9 — 6 3	11	31 3

M.S.F.A. RESULTS OF MATCHES PLAYED 12th JULY, 1924.

1st Grade 1st Division
Pymont Rangers beat Gladstoneville 6-1.
Granville beat Auburn 6-1.
Two Blues beat Balmain Gladstones 2-1.
Sydney beat Balmain Fernleigh 1-1.
2nd Division
Leichhardt beat Lachlan Rangers 2-0.
St. George beat Canterbury 3-0.
West Sydney beat Pymont 2-1.
Rangers beat Balmain Scottish 5-0.
2nd Grade A Division
Bankstown beat West Sydney 3-1.
Pymont beat Sunlight 3-1.
Lilyfield Rangers beat Drummoyne 3-1.
Campsie Thistle beat Fire Brigades 9-1.
Annandale receive forfeit from A.G.L. Coy.
Gladstoneville receive forfeit from Rozelle Albions.

B Division
Botany Albions beat South Sydney 5-1.
Booralee Rovers beat Burns Club 2-0.
Sydney beat Callan Park 1-0.
North Sydney beat Alexandria 2-1.
Meters beat Eastern Suburbs 5-1.
Garden Island beat Manly 2-1.

PREMIERSHIP TABLE.

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
Granville	9	8	1	—	34	11	16
Two Blues	9	4	2	3	12	11	11
Sydney	9	2	2	5	15	12	9
Pymont Rgs.	9	3	3	3	22	17	9
Auburn	9	2	3	4	9	14	8
Bal. Gladstones	8	2	3	3	14	22	7
Gladstoneville	8	2	4	2	13	23	6
Bal. Fernleigh	9	—	5	4	3	11	4

Second Division		Goals	
Rangers	9 7 1 1	36	11 15
St. George	9 6 1 2	25	10 14
West Sydney	9 4 1 4	24	14 12
Pymont	9 4 2 3	25	17 11
Leichhardt	9 4 3 1	23	16 11
Bal. Scottish	9 1 0 2	9	29 4
Lachlan Rgs.	9 2 7 1	17	32 4
Canterbury	9 — 8 1	15	42 1

2nd Grade A Division		Goals	
Annandale	10 8 —	2	32 5 18
Pymont	10 7 1 2	23	12 16
Sunlight	10 7 2 1	28	9 15
Bankstown	10 6 1 3	22	5 15
Campsie Thistle	10 4 3 3	25	16 11
West Sydney	10 5 5 —	26	21 10
Gladstoneville	10 4 4 2	12	15 10
Lilyfield Rgs.	10 4 5 1	15	25 9
Drummoyne	10 2 5 3	9	24 7
Fire Brigades	10 3 6 1	6	29 7
A.G.L. Coy.	10 — 10 —	1	14 0
Rozelle Albions	10 — 10 —	1	14 0

2nd Grade B Division		Goals	
Sydney	10 7 1 2	29	17 16
Meters	8 7 —	1	33 6 15
Botany Albions	10 6 3 1	35	13 13
Callan Park	10 6 4 —	20	12 12
Alexandria	10 4 3 3	22	11 11
Garden Island	8 5 2 1	17	11 11
North Sydney	10 5 4 1	23	20 11
Manly	9 5 4 2	15	20 9
Eastern Suburbs	10 3 6 1	19	25 7
Burns Club	10 2 7 1	14	35 5
Booralee Rovers	10 1 8 1	10	32 3
South Sydney	9 1 8 —	8	43 2

N.D.B.F.A. (Continued) (Continued from page 6).

UNDER 13 or B GRADE PROTEST

New Lambton, who had finished at the top of the table, had played an over-age player right through the competition. The Committee therefore deducted the points, and New Lambton were deprived of the right to enter the second round. The player in question is to attend this week's Committee meeting.

In this competition the leader of round No. 2 on points takes the Willis Cup, and the two leaders play for the trophies.

PREMIERSHIP TABLE TO DATE.

Senior Grade		Goals	
Wallsend	10 6 1 3	22	16 15
West Wallsend	9 6 2 1	20	7 13
Cessnock	9 5 1 3	19	10 13
Adamstown	10 6 3 1	16	10 13
New Lambton	8 2 4 2	7	12 6
Weston	7 2 4 1	15	17 5
Neath	9 1 5 3	11	18 5
Kurri Kurri	8 2 6 0	13	19 4
Mayfield	8 2 6 0	10	24 4

Third Grade		Goals	
Killingworth	10 8 1 1	20	11 11
Rovers	8 7 1 0	23	5 11
Booralee	10 5 2 3	17	10 11
Dudley	10 5 2 3	16	16 11
Adamstown	9 5 2 2	20	17 11
West Wallsend	9 4 2 3	16	10 11
Holmesville	10 4 3 3	19	15 11
Islington	9 5 3 1	16	16 11
Teralba	10 4 3 3	18	24 11
Minni	10 4 5 1	15	10 11
Swansea	9 2 3 4	14	12 11
Barnsley	11 3 6 2	17	19 11
Young Wallsend	11 2 7 2	7	24 11
New Lambton	10 1 9 0	4	5 11
Mayfield	10 0 10 0	5	33 11

Fourth Grade A Division (complete)		Goals	
Cardiff	9 7 1 1	1	31 10 11
Broadmeadow	9 5 2 2	18	10 11
Booralee	9 5 2 2	16	6 11
Adamstown	9 5 2 2	16	11 11
New Lambton	9 4 3 2	19	14 11
Jesmond	9 3 2 4	16	11 11
Teralba	9 4 4 1	13	15 11
Hamilton	9 2 4 3	12	17 11
Awaba	9 0 7 2	7	30 11
Barnsley	9 0 8 1	4	28 11

Under 16 A Division		Goals	
Merewether	8 7 1 0	28	4 11
Adamstown	9 6 2 1	21	17 11
Cardiff	10 6 4 0	18	14 11
New Lambton	9 5 3 1	23	14 11
Hamilton	8 5 3 0	15	11 10 11
Lamilton	10 2 8 0	19	29 11
Broadmeadow	10 0 10 0	4	39 11

Under 16 B Division		Goals	
Kia Ora	10 9 0 1	36	4 11
West Wallsend	11 6 2 3	23	14 11
Teralba	10 6 3 1	12	7 11
Young Wallsend	10 6 3 1	14	9 11
Cath. Hill Bay	11 3 6 2	14	26 11
Swansea	10 3 6 1	10	14 11
Booralee	11 3 8 0	20	24 11
Summerhill	9 0 8 1	8	39 11

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